

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Vice Chair Vince Ricci, on February 9, 2017 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Amanda Curtis, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Adam Rosendale (R)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 354, 2/2/2017; HB 392, 2/7/2017
Executive Action: HB 229; HB 347

HEARING ON HB 354**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:07 Rep. Jim Keane (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 354, Revise unemployment insurance retirement considerations.

00:02:45 Rep. Olsen joined the meeting.

00:04:22 Rep. Pierson joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:04 Jay Reardon, Big Sky Labor Council; Laborers Local #1686

00:05:46 Rep. Curdy left the meeting.

00:07:41 John Gordon, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

00:08:39 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy joined the meeting.

00:08:50 Jesse LaBuff, Boilermakers Local #11

00:09:17 Chris Cavazos, Montana AFL-CIO

00:09:30 John Johnson, International Union of Operating Engineers #400

00:09:56 John Forkan, Montana Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters

00:10:38 J. D. Lynch, Teamsters Local #2; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #44; Montana State Building and Construction Trades

Opponents' Testimony:

00:11:15 Mark Cadwallader, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:17:01 Rep. Olsen

00:18:11 Mark Cadwallader, DLI

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a01\)](#)

00:19:01 Rep. Funk

00:19:42 Rep. Keane

00:20:47 Rep. Funk

00:21:03 Mark Cadwallader, DLI

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a02\)](#)

00:22:06 Rep. Trebas

00:22:41 Mark Cadwallader, DLI

00:24:07 Rep. Anderson

00:24:19 Mark Cadwallader, DLI

00:25:51 Rep. Trebas

00:26:03 Jay Reardon, Big Sky Labor Council; Laborers Local 1686

00:27:55 Rep. Olsen

00:28:29 Mark Cadwallader, DLI

Closing by Sponsor:

00:29:34 Rep. Keane

00:31:42 Chair Ricci
00:32:21 Rep. Zolnikov joined the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 392

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:36 Rep. Jennifer Eck (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 392, Creating the family and medical leave insurance act.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:31 Heather O'Loughlin, Montana Budget and Policy Center

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a03\)](#)

00:43:33 Keri Yoder, Self

00:46:21 Tyler Amundson, United Methodist Church

00:48:56 Jemma Hazen, Self

00:51:36 Sandra Jankowski, Self

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a04\)](#)

00:54:35 Chesia Rice, Self

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a05\)](#)

00:57:33 Nina Heinzinger, Self

01:00:15 Tara Jensen, Montana Budget and Policy Center

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a06\)](#)

01:02:48 Jules Shindel, Montana Human Rights Network

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a08\)](#)

01:06:49 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

01:08:40 Jen Euell, Women's Foundation of Montana

01:11:47 Sarah Howell, Montana Women Vote

01:14:16 Chair Noland joined the meeting.

01:15:32 Robin Turner, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

01:18:13 Jacquie Helt, Service Employees International Union #775

01:20:18 Claudia Clifford, American Association of Retired Persons, Montana (AARP)

[EXHIBIT\(buh29a09\)](#)

01:23:06 J. D. Lynch, Teamsters Local #2; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #44; Montana State Building and Construction Trades

01:23:50 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network

01:25:46 Eric Anderson, Teamsters Local #190

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:28:19 Brenda Nordlund, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:28:59 Rep. Gunderson
01:29:52 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:30:20 Rep. Trebas
01:30:51 Heather O'Loughlin, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)
01:32:48 Rep. Pierson
01:33:19 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:33:49 Rep. Pierson
01:34:04 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
01:34:53 Rep. Rosendale
01:35:14 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:35:50 Rep. Vinton
01:36:41 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:37:51 Rep. Rosendale
01:39:34 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:39:46 Rep. Olsen
01:40:17 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
01:42:21 Rep. Curtis
01:43:22 Claudia Clifford, AARP
01:44:18 Rep. Gunderson
01:47:50 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
01:48:58 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
01:50:20 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
01:51:04 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
01:54:00 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
01:54:35 Rep. Funk
01:55:11 Rep. Zolnikov left the meeting.
01:55:41 Jules Schindel, Montana Human Rights Network
01:56:36 Rep. Funk
01:56:49 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
01:57:37 Chair Noland assumed the chair.
02:00:06 Rep. Gunderson
02:02:39 Brenda Nordlund, DLI
02:02:49 Rep. Loge
02:03:32 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
02:04:04 Rep. Ricci
02:04:30 Rep. Eck
02:05:02 Rep. Ricci
02:05:08 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC

Closing by Sponsor:

02:07:01 Rep. Eck

02:09:09 Chair Noland
02:10:39 Rep. Funk
02:11:32 Pat Murdo, LSD
02:15:06 Rep. Olsen
02:15:44 Pat Murdo, LSD
02:16:06 Rep. Olsen
02:16:19 Chair Noland

02:23:48 Pat Murdo, LSD
02:23:54 Chair Noland
02:30:23 Recessed.
02:51:40 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 347

02:51:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 347 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 229

02:53:23 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 229 DO PASS**.

02:53:51 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 229 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(buh29a10\)](#)

Discussion:

02:54:33 Rep. Olsen

02:54:51 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

02:55:24 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 229 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(buh29a11\)](#)

Discussion:

02:55:41 Rep. Olsen

02:56:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

02:56:45 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 229 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

02:57:01 Rep. Loge
02:58:07 Rep. Curtis
02:59:24 Rep. Pierson
03:00:00 Rep. Funk
03:01:23 Rep. Olsen
03:04:25 Rep. Pierson
03:05:25 Rep. Noland

03:06:35 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Stewart-Peregoy and Rep. Windy Boy voting aye. Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

-03:08:07 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 229 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 15-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Olsen, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Stewart-Peregoy and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:09:21

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh29aad.pdf](#))